GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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MEMORIALS FOR FREEDOM FIGHTERS
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up a memorials for the freedom fighters;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government of Kerala has proposed setting up of a memorial for late V.K. Krishna Menon at Thiruvananthapuram in connection with his birth centenary celebrations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM & CULTURE(SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a)&(b): Government of India has constituted a National Committee under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister to chalk out the programmes for celebration of 150th Anniversary of the First War of Independence,1857; 60th Anniversary of Indian Independence; Centenary of Adoption of Vande Mataram as National Song; and 75th Anniversary of the martyrdom and birth centenary of Shaheed Bhagat Singh. A National Implementation Committee has also been constituted for implementation of programmes and activities in commemoration of these events. The National Implementation Committee has approved a proposal that a Memorial for Shaheeds/Shaheed Minar be established in Delhi.

(c)&(d) At present no such proposal is under consideration in Ministry of Culture.